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TRAGIC END OF TEXAN. SITUATION STILL SERIOUS

Places Muzzle of Pistol In His Mouth And

BLOWS OFF TOP OF HEAD.

Professor F. Arnold B. Bauman, Who Taught School at New Braunfels, on Beaching New York, on a Journey to Germany, Suicides.

New York, Aug. 5.—Professor A. Arnold B. Baumann, fifty-six years old, of New Braunfels, Tex., killed himself in his room in the Swats hotel Sunday. He placed the muzzle of a heavy single-barreled pistol in his mouth as he sat in front of a mirror and blew the top of his head off.

Professor Baumann, a man of distinguished appearance, arrived here on Friday on his way to Germany to take treatment for rheumatism. Since his arrival he was able to scarcely leave his room. Among his effects was found the following letter signed by Adolph Stein, judge of Comal county, Texas:

"To Whom It May Concern: This is to certify that F. Arnold B. Baumann has taught school successfully in Comal county, Texas, since the year 1893, and proved to be a most efficient teacher, possessed of high education. He stands in high esteem among his colleagues and has many friends who, with regret, see him depart from American soil."

On the back of this letter Professor Baumann had written in lead pencil: "To a man who has lost all hope, who is suffering fearful pains, death has no terror. No one will claim my body. I stand alone."

"F. ARNOLD B. BAUMANN."

SURFSIDE IN ASHES.

Elegant Hotel at Velasco Prey to the Flames.

Velasco, Tex., Aug. 5.—Men of the lifesaving station at 2 o'clock Sunday morning discovered fire in the north end of the Surfside hotel. The alarm was given and inmates escaped. The fire burned slowly for a time, but a brisk wind set in and the beautiful structure, one of the largest on the coast, newly remodeled and painted, burned to the ground. Few effects were saved. The hotel was a three-story structure. The loss is about \$100,000. Many of the guests lost money, valuables and return tickets.

Among the prominent guests were Mrs. D. T. Boman and family of Fort Worth. They lost about \$80 in money and other valuables. E. E. Anderson left his furniture and silverware all there, expecting to go back this week, and all he had was lost.

It is said the insurance had run out. About \$15,000 worth of furniture had recently been put in.

IRATE NEGROES.

Seek to Lynch White Alleged Assaulter of Black Girl.

Muskogee, Aug. 5.—Declaring that one of the white employees of a grocery had assaulted a negro girl a mob of 200 blacks blocked one of the streets here Sunday and hung about the United States marshal's office threatening vengeance.

Al Pemberton, Carl Pemberton, Joe Leslie, W. B. Newby, T. J. Bardley and Walker Martin, members of the firm, are held in the United States jail while an investigation is being made.

The girl, who is fourteen years old, is in a serious condition.

VARDAMAN CONFIDENT.

It May Require Official Count Before Result Is Known.

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 5.—Until the votes cast in the Democratic primary are canvassed the result of the senatorial contest will, to a certain extent, remain in doubt. Complete unofficial returns show a plurality in favor of John Sharp Williams over Governor Vardaman, but this plurality is comparatively small, and neither Governor Vardaman or his managers will accord defeat, declaring that the official review of the vote will show his election by a small majority.

JOHN J. KNIGHT DEAD.

Dallas, Aug. 5.—John J. Knight, one of the best known traveling salesmen in Texas, died at Terrell. For over twenty-five years he sold tobacco. He was a prominent member of the Travelers Protective association, being at one time president of the Texas division, and also of the United Commercial Travelers. Mr. Knight had been in bad health a year. He was sixty years old.

SLASHED FOURTEEN TIMES.

Muskogee, Aug. 5.—In a savage fight at Chateau, twenty-five miles north of here, James Hurl was slashed fourteen times. The fight occurred on the depot platform, which was covered with blood.

CUT FROM EAR TO EAR.

Marlin, Tex., Aug. 5.—In the rear of a boarding house W. J. Gibb of Willie, Tex., was found with his throat cut from ear to ear. He may recover.

Every Effort to Afford Protection Being Made.

MOTHERS ARE VIGILANT.

On the East Side at New York the latter sit at windows and also on doorsteps while their little ones play on the streets.

New York, Aug. 5.—The fact that Sunday mob vengeance held sway and a lynching was narrowly averted added to the seriousness of the situation in this city, caused by the recent remarkable series of crimes in which women and young girls are victims. Mob attacks reveal a state of public exasperation approaching a frenzy which, it is feared, may easily lead to serious disorders. Prompt action by the police alone saved two men accused on Sunday from summary justice, especially in the case of George Kesner, a Russian book binder, around whose neck the mob tied a rope, when the police reached the scene in force.

It was noteworthy the other man attacked, Louis Conconela, was innocent of any attempt at crime, and indicates how readily mistakes can be made in time of public agitation or excitement.

The police are bending every effort to give adequate protection, and, to further this end, 1,000 plain clothes men have been scattered about the city, particularly in congested quarters, the scene of most of the assaults.

Late Sunday night the police received news of another attack. It occurred in the suburbs of Richmond Hill. Jennie Smith, twenty-two years old, was attacked by two men while on her way to her home. Her screams brought assistance and one of the assailants was captured.

One man died Monday as the result of race riots which started Sunday over a 10-cent bet on a ball game. The dead man is John McCue, a negro, who was badly beaten in a fight with whites. More than a score of persons are suffering from injuries received in the riot.

No further disorders as the result of the outbreaks of mob vengeance on assailants of women and children, were reported early Monday. Many parents are keeping their children indoors, while on the East Side, where Katie Tiefel was maltreated and murdered, thousands of children are playing in the streets under the watchful eyes of mothers sitting at windows and on doorsteps. The order given to all plain clothes men to give their whole attention to patrolling streets indicates the seriousness of the situation.

CRIMES AT CHICAGO.

Five Mysterious Assaults Resulting In Four Deaths.

Chicago, Aug. 5.—Five mysterious assaults, in which four men were killed and another fatally wounded, have aroused the entire police force to energetic action. The victims were: Ruyario Rocco, found on the doorstep of his home, with two stiletto wounds in his body. He had been instantly killed by knife thrusts. Edward Smith, a policeman, was shot and killed by an unknown man while walking a short distance from the house. John L. Barbour was found dead on the Illinois Central tracks fifty feet north of the suburban. His head had been cut off by a passing train. John Naughton died at a hospital after being assaulted by three strangers at Thirty-seventh street and Lowe. William Donovan is dying at the county hospital from a bullet wound in the abdomen. Donovan was found in a basement on Hermitage avenue, and said he had been robbed by three men. In none of the cases have the police been able to obtain the slightest clew.

DREADFUL DEEDS.

Young Man Probably Fatally Shot and Lady Choked to Death.

Dayton, O., Aug. 5.—Abe Gordon, a traveling salesman of this city, was shot and probably fatally wounded and his companion, Anna Markowitz, criminally assaulted and choked to death near the soldier's home, west of the city. Jacob and Mark Markowitz, brothers, called at police headquarters to inquire about the crime and their actions resulted in their arrest. The brothers admitted they followed Gordon, who was also known as Cohan, to Lake Side park, as the family objected to him keeping company with either Markowitz sisters, but they pleaded ignorance of the shooting. The coroner's investigation shows the victim was criminally assaulted and no charge will probably be placed against the brothers.

GENERAL LAID LOW.

Meets Tragic Death in the Center of the City.

Latigorak, Caucasus, Aug. 5.—General Karakozoff, ex-governor general of Odessa, was shot and killed in the center of town early Monday morning. The assassin escaped. General Karakozoff was commandant of the Luhna dragoons. September 3, 1900, he was appointed general of Odessa. Early in August of the same year he was banished.

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PRESIDENT HARRINGTON ON DUTY.

Has Recovered His Health—Prof. C. W. Welborn Elected Vice-Director.

Board Rejects Plans.

President H. H. Harrington returned to the college Friday, after a brief vacation, very much improved in health. After spending a very busy day in his office, he left for Dallas Friday night to attend a meeting of the board of directors on Saturday, the 3d inst. After the board meeting adjourns the committee on repairs will visit the college and consider the various lines of work to be undertaken in the way of repairs and improvements. As much of this work as possible will be completed before the opening of school. The personnel of this committee is Hon. Walton Peete, Hon. R. T. Milner, Judge T. D. Rowell and President Harrington.

Prof. W. C. Welborn, formerly professor of agriculture in the Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College, and recently Commissioner of Agriculture for the Federal Government in the Philippines, has been elected vice-director of the Texas Experiment Station, and will begin his work immediately. Professor Welborn resigned his position in the Philippines, which paid him exactly double the salary that he is to receive here, in order to devote his energies to the development of Texas agriculture and the promotion of the industries of Texas farmers. He is excellently equipped for meeting successfully the new duties he is about to assume.

In addition to being thoroughly trained in the theoretical side of farming, he has had the practical experience of a farmer. Being a ready and forceful writer, and a graceful and impressive speaker, he is sure to impress his personality upon the farmers of the State and to be a great service to them in the development of their various lines of work. He will undoubtedly be a most valuable addition to the Station staff.

There are other minor positions to be filled at the college, which the committee on vacancies will supply as rapidly as possible. As salaries of college men in the vari-

ous States have advanced materially within the last three or four years, the college has some difficulty in getting the right kind of material at the salaries which it is prepared to offer. However, it is believed that every place will be filled efficiently and satisfactorily before the opening of the session.

Galveeton News.

President Harrington returned yesterday afternoon from the Dallas meeting of the board and stated that all plans for buildings at College and Prairie View were rejected at the meeting, and that another meeting will be held at College Station at an early date, when the matter will again be taken up for definite action. The buildings under immediate consideration include a dormitory, natatorium and veterinary hospital at the A. and M. College, and a dormitory and agricultural and mechanical building at Prairie View.

A report of the Dallas meeting in the Galveston-Dallas News states that according to Judge Leggett, chairman of the A. and M. board, it is hoped that work on the new buildings may begin by Oct. 1, and be completed as soon after Jan. 1 as possible. The committee on repairs at the College will hold a meeting at that place the coming week.

Major L. L. McInnis, who was delayed at Dallas yesterday to attend a meeting of the Prairie View committee of the board, returned home last night.

FINE MEETING AT BRIGHTLIGHT.

Rev. J. J. Tatum closed a fine meeting Sunday night at Brightlight Free Baptist church, in which he had the assistance of Rev. S. T. Thomas of Keith, Grimes county. The church and community received a great blessing from the meeting, and there were eleven additions to the church.

Rev. J. M. Bullock began a meeting last night at Bethel Missionary Baptist church in the same community.

Rev. Tatum begins a meeting tonight at Kurten and will be assisted by Rev. W. T. Wood of Harvey and Rev. John Swanwick of this city.

BADLY BURNED WITH COFFEE.

Information was received here yesterday to the effect that Miss Ora Hayes was badly burned yesterday morning at her home in the Macy community by having a pot of boiling coffee overturned upon her. She was attended by Dr. G. E. Hill of Edge, who reports her injuries serious, but not regarded as fatal in character.

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LOWRY-BOND.

Mr. Chancey D. Lowry of this city and Miss Ellen Bond of the Prospect community were married Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Sarah Bond, by Rev. J. J. Tatum, pastor of the Bryan Free Baptist church. Relatives and a few friends were present to witness the ceremony and offered congratulations.

The young couple came to Bryan at once and are at home with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitehurst. The bride is a young lady of lovable character and possessed of a large circle of friends. The groom is a worthy young man and nephew of Mrs. T. P. Lowry. He recently came to Bryan and is employed as engineer by the Bryan Water, Light & Power Co.

LADIES' SOCIETY OPEN SESSION.

In the parlors of the First Baptist church yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock was held an interesting open session of the Ladies' Aid Society of the church with Mrs. Robt. S. Webb, the president, presiding. The session was social, literary and musical, with the following excellent program:

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BIDS FOR CITY DEPOSITORY.

At the regular August meeting of the city council of Bryan, which will be held at the city hall in the city of Bryan, Texas, on the second Friday night in said month, same being the ninth day thereof, bids will be received, as provided by law, for a depository of the funds of the city of Bryan, including the school fund, for the ensuing year.

Frank Clarke, City Sec.

BREVITIES BUNCHED.

August St. Gaudens, the noted sculptor, died at Concord, N. H.

Dr. I. G. Kenney, a San Antonio dentist, died from becoming overheated.

Population of Altus, Okla., has increased in three years from 300 to 3,000.

A negro named Joe Williams was shot and killed at Dallas by an unknown person.

Brooding over love for his niece, Robert Sterby of Pittsburg swallowed bug poison and died.

A touring auto car plunged into the river at South Chicago. The three occupants escaped injury.

A little girl named Frances Bradley Storr is preaching in England. She is credited with 400 conversions.

Third Baseman Loudon of the Dallas baseball club has been disposed of to the American Baseball league.

A "cold bolt" of lightning struck the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Bonham, Tex., badly damaging it.

John Price, charged at Georgetown, Tex., with assault to murder on Albert Jacks, a Belton fireman, was given the limit-fifteen years.

Owing to the insufficiency of the appropriation five of the government's tick eradication agents in Texas have been let out.

Captain Edgar A. Macklin, who was shot at Fort Sill, has been ordered to San Francisco for treatment at the general hospital.

Spilley Stroud was caught in a belt of an ice cream factory at Brownwood, Tex. The machinery was stopped in time to save him.

After shooting to death at New York Frank Gerlinger Theresa Stun jumped from a window of the sixth story of a house, receiving serious injuries.

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Sixty Women and Children and Most of Them Christians.

Toheran, Aug. 5.—An incursion of Turkish troops across the northwest frontier of Persia, which for some time has been in abeyance, has again broken out. A serious raid occurred near Urmiah, 6,000 Turkish troops, with artillery, having crossed the frontier and destroyed the village on Mavaneh. Seventy-eight persons, of which sixty were women and children, mostly Christians, were killed. Subsequently the Turks drove a small force of Persian troops from a nearby camp and instituted themselves in it. According to an unofficial report a large body of Persian cavalry subsequently joined the Turkish invaders and the combined force is said to be threatening the town of Urmiah, sixty-four miles from Tabriz. Urmiah is noted as the center of missionary activity and is the seat of Fiske seminary for girls and Urmiah college.

ANOTHER ASSAULT.

One More Mysterious Crime Added to New York's Record.

New York, Aug. 5.—Mrs. Ellen Bulger, middleaged, was attacked Sunday night in her apartments in the Bronx, badly beaten and left in a helpless state. Her skull was fractured, face and hands lacerated and badly burned. She is said to have been attacked by a coatless man, who wore an outing shirt and duck trousers.

George Kestren, a Russian, charged with attempted assault on an eight-year-old girl, was set upon by a crowd of men and all but killed. The clothes were torn from his body, and he was taken to a station house wrapped in a blanket.

Another mob set upon Hilo Saloda, an Italian pianist, who was similarly accused, and the timely intervention of police reserves saved him from summary punishment.

The fighting element among the whites and blacks in the vicinity of One Hundred and Thirty-Sixth street and Fifth avenue lined up according to their race and began to settle a baseball dispute. When the affair ended fifty persons required medical aid. Several men fled and it took fifty policemen to settle the mob. John McCue and Matthew Murtha received fractured skulls and were removed to a hospital in a dying condition. The injuries of others ranged from broken noses to serious razor cuts.

NOT PARTICULAR.

New York Hotel Men Have No Desire For Conventions.

New York, Aug. 5.—A prominent hotel man, discussing the dispatches from Chicago that business men and organizations there had already begun to work to secure the national convention to be held next year, said:

"I believe it represents the opinion of a vast majority of the leading hotel men in this city when I say that we would not raise a finger to bring such a gathering here in the height of the summer. Our leading hotels are pretty well filled, no matter how many we build, and we would be put to no end of perplexity to provide accommodations for the number of delegates and politicians who would be attracted on such an occasion."

"Nor have I noticed any great enthusiasm among other business men over the proposal which has recurred from time to time to invite a national convention by holding out financial inducements for it to come here."

In all the history of parties only national convention has been held in this city. That was in 1868, when the Democratic national convention was held in Tammany hall on July 4 and after balloting that lasted for days Horatio Seymour was nominated for the presidency. U. S. Grant was the Republican candidate that year, and the result everybody knows.

Lightning Kills Boy.

Lake Charles, La., Aug. 5.—Dolse Derouen, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fenlon Derouen, who reside at Hayes, was riding along the road near his home when a terrific bolt of lightning struck him, killing him and his horse instantly. His body was found later in the afternoon by friends who were passing along the highway.

CONDENSED NEWS.

While bathing near Cuero, Tex., a Mexican, name unknown, drowned.

Plant of the Armour Fertilizing company at Jacksonville, Fla., valued at \$105,000, burned.

Vines of H. J. Taylor of near Chillicothe, Tex., are still bearing strawberries this season.

Sam Dickson, a negro, was buried under sand-and-gravel near Marlin, Tex., and lost his life.

Eleven miles from Birmingham, Ala., James Garrity and son were overcome by gas in a well and died.

D. W. Kyle, agent of the Texas and Pacific railway at Stanton, Tex., died at Galveston of heart disease.

Dominion Furniture company's factory at St. Theresa Junction, Canada, was destroyed by fire; loss, \$100,000.

In avoiding a train at Napersville, Ill., Horace Berger, Ralph Berger and Herman Volkman stepped in front of another train and were killed.

Jim Hughes died at Nacogdoches, Tex., from the effects of a blow on the head inflicted with a shovel. A warrant was issued for another negro.

Cliff Young, an Abilene stockman, died at San Antonio from injuries sustained two years ago by being thrown from a horse. His spine was paralyzed.

IMMENSE PROFITS.

Commissioner Smith Gives Figures About Standard.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Significant revelations are made public in a report submitted to President Roosevelt by Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations, concerning the operations of the Standard Oil company.

In a previous report the means and methods of the Standard were explained. The present report sets forth the results of these methods and the effect they have had on the consumer of oil and on the profits of the Standard Oil company. It deals with profits and prices, showing just how the manipulation of the oil industry by the Standard has affected the pocketbooks of the American people.

Commissioner Smith says: "The Standard Oil company is responsible for the course of prices of petroleum and its products during the last twenty-five years. The Standard has consistently used its power to raise the price of oil during the last ten years, not only absolutely, also relatively to the cost of crude oil."

"The Standard has claimed that it has reduced the price of oil; that it has been a benefit to the consumer, and that only a great combination like the Standard could have furnished oil at the prices that have prevailed."

"Each one of these claims," says Commissioner Smith, "is disproved by this report."

The increase in annual profits of the Standard from 1898 to 1904 was over \$27,000,000. The report says:

"The total dividends paid by the Standard from 1882 to 1904 were \$551,922,004, averaging thus 24.15 per cent per year. The dividends, however, were much less than the total earnings. It is substantially certain that the entire net earnings of the Standard from 1882 to 1904 were at least \$790,000,000, and possibly much more."

"These enormous profits have been based on investments worth, at the time of their original acquisition, not more than \$75,000,000."

In his letter to President Roosevelt transmitting the report Commissioner Smith says:

"The following facts are proven: The Standard has not reduced margins since the period in which it has been responsible for the price of oil. During the last eight years covered by this report (from 1898 to 1905) it has raised both prices and margins. Its domination has not been acquired or maintained by its superior efficiency, but rather by unfair competition and by methods economically and morally unjustifiable. The Standard has superior efficiency in running its own business; it has as equal efficiency in destroying the business of competitors. It keeps for itself the profits of the first and adds to those the monopoly policy of it procured by the second. Its profits are far above the highest possible standard of a reasonable commercial return, and have been steadily increasing. Finally, the history of this great industry is a history of the persistent use of the worst industrial methods, the execution of exorbitant prices from the consumer and the securing of excessive profits for the small group of men who, over a long series of years, have thus dominated the business."

In a few days another section of the report will be made public setting forth the importance of price discrimination in restraining the business of competitors and augmenting the profits of the Standard.

RIGHT OF CONTRACT.

Important Decision Rendered at Houston by Judge Kittrell.

Houston, Aug. 5.—In an opinion handed down in the test case brought by the Wells-Fargo Express company to compel the Texas and New Orleans Railroad company et al. to fulfill a contract executed prior to the passage of the anti-pass law, to continue the issuance of passes to its employees. Judge Kittrell of the Sixty-first judicial district court upheld the right of contract in regard to railroad transportation, and declared it beyond the power of the legislature to annul a valid contract.

The court holds that contracts between railroads and express companies do not mean free transportation in the sense conveyed by the anti-pass law, and defendant companies are ordered to continue the issuance of transportation to employees of express companies.

Guitar Player Shot to Death.

San Antonio, Aug. 5.—While playing a guitar at a dance Marcelo Garcia was shot in the head and killed. Manuel Moran was jailed.

Horribly Mangled.

Dallas, Aug. 5.—John Holt was run over by a Katy switch engine and horribly mangled. He died in fifteen minutes.

Shooting Scare.

Waxahachie, Tex., Aug. 5.—Near Sardis a shooting scare occurred. L. L. Layton received a wound in the face that may prove fatal. A double-barreled shotgun was the weapon. George Prince was put under \$500 bond.

Funds For Championship.

San Antonio, Aug. 5.—A subscription is being circulated in the city to secure \$1,500 to give to the Bronchos should they win the pennant this year. There are fifteen members of the San Antonio baseball team, and the \$1,500 will give them \$100 each.

Ice Trust Charged.

Fort Worth, Aug. 5.—That there is an ice trust here is the charge to be investigated by the grand jury. A special session of that body has been called, when evidence secured by the office of the county attorney will be gone into.

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